

Docket No.: 62807-136

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Hidenao KUBOTA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 1466
Application No.: 10/646,839 : Group Art Unit: 2821
Filed: August 25, 2003 : Allowed: September 13, 2004
Examiner: TRAN, THUY V.
For: IMAGE DISPLAY DEVICE AND METHOD OF DISPLAYING IMAGES WITH STATIC
IMAGE DETECTION (As Amended)

COMMENTS ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.104(e)

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Sir:

A Statement of Reasons for Allowance was received with the September 13, 2004 Notices of Allowance and Allowability regarding the above-identified application. Entry of that Statement should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence by Applicants in the stated reasoning.

The Statement essentially paraphrased certain language of each independent claim and asserted that the paraphrased limitation, in combination with other limitations in the respective independent claim, was not taught by the prior art. It is the wording of the claims as properly construed in light of the disclosure that defines the scope of the claims, particularly when as in this case there has been no rejection over art. Although Applicant amended claims in the preliminary

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amendment, several of the amended claims were amended only for clarity and without narrowing of the scope thereof.

It is respectfully submitted that the allowed claims should be entitled the broadest reasonable interpretation and the broadest range of equivalents that are appropriate in light of the language of the claims and the supporting disclosure, without reference to the Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

To the extent necessary, if any, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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